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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Security Agency**SUBJECT: Files for Community On-Line Intelligence System (COINS)**

REFERENCES:

- (a) Acting DCI Memorandum to DIRNSA, 24 December 1968
- (b) DIRNSA Memorandum to DCI, 5 December 1968
- (c) DCI Memorandum to DIRNSA, Subject: Management of the COINS Experiment, 31 May 1968

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1. Paragraph 3 of Reference (a) directed that the COINS Project Manager and I, as Chairman, IHC, determine the implications of paragraph 4 of Reference (b) in which the DCI is asked by DIRNSA to identify one file from each participant for use in COINS. A brief review indicates that neither time nor resources are available to build new community-oriented files for use during the COINS Test and Analysis period now scheduled to begin 1 April 1969.

2. Paragraph 7 of Reference (c) indicates that the COINS Project Manager work closely with a subcommittee of the IHC on plans for a follow-on system to COINS. Since the proposal to identify the subject matter of community-oriented files logically falls in the context of a follow-on COINS system, I suggest that this is a matter for immediate discussion between COINS Project Manager and the System Design and Development Subcommittee (SD&DS) of IHC. Action will be taken to get these discussions underway.